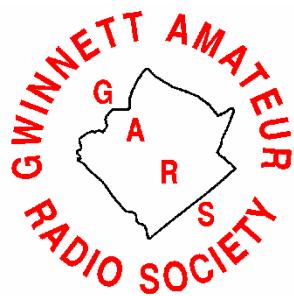


The GARZETTE

January 2006

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Don't forget the meeting Tuesday Night!

Happy New Year!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and you had time to enjoy the season and your family. It's a time to reflect on the past year and a time to look ahead to the coming year.

2006 should be a great year for all. GARS has some exciting events happening this year. I hope you will be around to partake in them. Even if you are not a GARS member come on out to see the fun we have at these events. The following list contains some of the events we do.

Techfest	Dog shows	Field Day
Berkley Lake Elementary School Demo	March of Dimes Walkathon	Scout Expo
Memorial Day Parade Dacula	Buford 5k road race	Snellville Middle School Club
Demos at Schools	JOTA	Holiday Party

Here are some local Hamfests that we attend. Dalton Hamfest, ARC Hamfest, Kennehoochee Hamfest, Alfred Hamfest, Lanierland Hamfest, and Shelby Hamfest on Labor Day weekend. I may have missed some events, if so please let an officer know about it.

As you can see, GARS has a need for volunteers. Make plans now to help out on an event.

This month also starts the nomination process for this year's officers. There will be nominations from the floor in Jan. and Feb. with the elections being held in Feb. Your club needs your services. There is always an ex-officer or board of directors to talk to for help if needed.

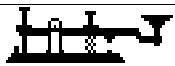
It has been fun and I look forward to doing other things within the club. I hope you will become involved with GARS. I believe it is a great club because of its people. You make it what it is. Well, its time to close.

See you at the next meeting.. See you on the air.

73 till next time,

David

KA4KKF



Metro Atlanta Club Meetings

First Tuesday
Kennehoochee ARC
 First United Methodist Church in
 Marietta
 Meeting begins at 7:30 PM
 Talk In 146.880(-)

Second Monday
Georgia Tech ARC
 Room W218
 Van Leer Electrical Engineering Bldg.
 Georgia Tech Campus
 Meeting at 7:00 PM

First Thursday
Atlanta Radio Club
 Georgia Red Cross HQ
 1955 Monroe Dr., Atlanta
 Meeting is at 7:30 PM
 Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC
 Commerce Public Library
 Meeting is at 6:30 PM
 Talk In - 147.225(+)
 PL 123.0

Second Thursday
Alford Memorial Radio Club
 Annistown Road Baptist Church
 Intersection of Annistown Rd & Spain
 Rd
 Stone Mountain
 Dinner at 6:00 PM
 Meeting at 7:30 PM
 Talk In - 146.760(-)

Third Thursday
North Fulton Amateur Radio League
 Southern Skillet
 1037 Alpharetta St., Roswell
 Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30
 PM
 Talk In - 145.47(-)

First Saturday
North GA QRP Club
 Wieuca Baptist Church on Peachtree
 Rd/Wieuca, 10 AM

Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule

GARS publishes Metro Atlanta area VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions. Find additional sessions online at www.arrl-ga.org

First Saturday, Even Months

9:00AM
 EOC Building
 Butch Nitz, AF4FS (770) 968-8780

First Wednesday

7:00 PM
 ARRL/VEC
 Roberts School
 4681 School Street,
 Acworth
 Jodi Escher AG4BK
 770-387-1591

Second Tuesday

7:00PM
 Walton EMC
 3645 Lenora Church Rd, Snellville
 Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA
 (770)498-7759

Second Saturday, Odd Months

ARRL VEC
 8:30 AM
 Stone Mountain Methodist Church
 5312 West Mountain St.
 Stone Mountain
 Bob Varone, W4ETN
 (770)978-3179

Third Saturday

CA VEC
 9:00AM
 Marietta First United Methodist Church
 Room 305, 56 Whitlock Ave
 Marietta
 David Still, WB4RRD
 (770) 973-2566

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC
 7:00 PM
 United Way Service Center
 6279 Fairburn Road, Douglasville

Third Sunday

W5YI VEC
 3:00 – 5:00 PM
 St. John Neumann Church
 801 Tom Smith Road Lilburn
 Headphones Provided! Howie Gould,
 W9HG (770)921-8362

Fourth Sunday

2:30 PM
 Georgia Tech Student Center
 Room 301
 David Ziskind, KE4QLH
 (404) 966-6864

GARS Communication System

6 Meter Repeater

53.110 (-1 MHz)
 82.5 PL Tone

2 Meter Repeater

147.075(+) MHz
 82.5 PL Tone

70 Cm Repeater

444.525(+) MHz
 82.5 PL Tone

Main Repeater Site

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

Backup Repeater Site

Lanier Mountain, Snellville

Remote Receive Sites

Bogart Road, Buford
 Goshen Springs Road, Norcross
 Lanier Mountain, Snellville

APRS

144.390 -- 1200 Baud
 W4GR/Relay



8th Annual GARS Tech Fest & Chili Cook-off

WHERE: **St Marguerite D'Youville Church**, 85 Gloster Rd NW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044. Just off Highway 29, SW of Lawrenceville

WHEN: **Saturday January 14, 2006 – 09:00 – 14:00 local time**

WHAT IS TECH FEST? The idea of Tech Fest was first tested 8 years ago when Kevin Berry, KF4RMA expressed interest in an event who's primary function was to expose members of the community to the many facets of Amateur Radio. Unlike Field day, this is not a contest or race. It is a chance to experience aspects of our hobby that we might never have seen. It's a chance to hear the truth about radios and antennas, without the flashy spin that a salesperson might put on it. It is an event that encourages the free exchange of ideas and knowledge. It is a chance to meet some of your HAM radio friends, sit around a table with a cup of coffee and share new and old stories. It is a great place to sample some of the best Chili in North Georgia.

Time to mark your calendar for the winter dog show, it's Feb 3,4 and 5.

Cherokee Rose Cluster Dog Show.

We need your help to make this a success!

GARS and Gwinnett ARES provide parking fee collection at the parking lot entrance and parking services for the Cherokee Rose Cluster Dog Show. There is usually a donation for these services, and this is shared between GARS and Gwinnett ARES. The dog show is just off the Jonesboro Rd Exit from 285. Go East at the exit and take a left at the first intersection.

Shifts are from 6am to 10am and 10am to 2pm. You can stay all day if you want. There are shifts on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The on-site frequency is 146.505. The site is out of range of the GARS repeater.



We need about 10 members per shift. To sign up for the dog show, please contact Dan (kf4ysu@arrl.net) or David (ka4kkf@arrl.net) or sign up at the January club meeting.

This is a very significant event for our club's budget, so it is important to provide the services expected.

GARS Apparel

Several items of clothing that feature our Club logo and/or your call sign are available to Club members. These items include polo shirts, sweat shirts, caps, jackets and other articles. Call sign badges can also be ordered. See Dan Keohan, KF4YSU, at the next Club meeting for a listing of items and their associated costs.

Do you know a boy or girl
14 to 21 years old
who wants to:

- Climb, hike, canoe, camp
- Talk on an amateur radio
 - Have Fun
?

Tell them about
Venture Crew 73



We meet the first Tuesday
of each Month, 7:30PM at
Prospect United Methodist
Church Youth room.

For more information Visit
www.gars.org/crew73

or contact Ray Back:
Email crew73@gars.org
Phone (678) 380-1728

2005 Ham of the Year

Carl Plotz was honored for his
many years of dedicated service
to the North Georgia Amateur
Radio Community with the
award of GARS ***Ham of the
Year***



We all miss Carl.





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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NEW MEMBER
RENEWAL

Amateur Call Sign _____ License _____ Class _____ Novice _____ Technician _____ General _____
Advanced _____ Extra _____

Name _____

Address _____

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Interests _____

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License Class Technician General Extra ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____ (mm/dd/yy)

License Class Technician General Extra ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests _____

I agree to abide by the By-Laws of the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society and understand that membership is subject to the approval of the Club.

Applicant Signature _____ Date _____ / _____ / _____

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Resolution of Thanks

to the

Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society

December 2005

WHEREAS Many members of the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society (**GARS**) are also members of the Gwinnett County Amateur Radio Emergency Service® (**Gwinnett ARES®**); and

WHEREAS **GARS** and **Gwinnett ARES®** have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding under which **GARS** permits **Gwinnett ARES®** to utilize its repeater systems for the purposes of training and providing support to the citizens of Gwinnett County, Georgia in times of emergency; and

WHEREAS **GARS** and **Gwinnett ARES®** jointly participate in semiannual fund raising events for the benefit of both organizations; and

WHEREAS **GARS** has invited participation by **Gwinnett ARES®** in presenting programs at its meetings and in writing articles for its newsletter; and

WHEREAS **GARS** and **Gwinnett ARES®** promote amateur radio in Gwinnett County through joint participation in community activities, public service and educational events; and

WHEREAS **GARS** invites participants in the **Gwinnett ARES®** Field Day operation at its served agency facility to share food and fellowship during Field Day weekend; and

WHEREAS **Gwinnett ARES®** wishes to continue a spirit of friendship, cooperation and fellowship in amateur radio with **GARS**;

THEREFORE Be it resolved that **Gwinnett ARES®** greatly appreciates the support provided by **GARS** to the citizens of Gwinnett County, Georgia through their generous support of **Gwinnett ARES®** in its mission of supporting Gwinnett County Emergency Management Agency, related county agencies, and the hospital systems operating in Gwinnett County.

ss: Stan Edwards, Emergency Coordinator, **Gwinnett ARES®**

HOLIDAY PARTY 2005



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Attn: Newsletter Editor

The Holiday Party 2005

A great time was had by all at the Holiday Party. David served as the MC and somehow arranged for nearly everyone to take home a present. The committee, did a great job. Dan should be congratulated for having a fine meal with all the extras.



GARS Recurring Calendar

- Monthly club meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Check the Web Site for Location.
- Every Monday at 8 PM local time: GARS Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net on the GARS 2 meter repeater
- Every Wednesday at 9 PM local time: GARS 6 meter net on the GARS 6 meter repeater
- Every Saturday at 8AM local time: GARS Weekly Family Breakfast, Golden Corral Restaurant, Riverside Drive, Lawrenceville
- 15th of each month: Deadline for submittal of articles for the following month's GARZETTE

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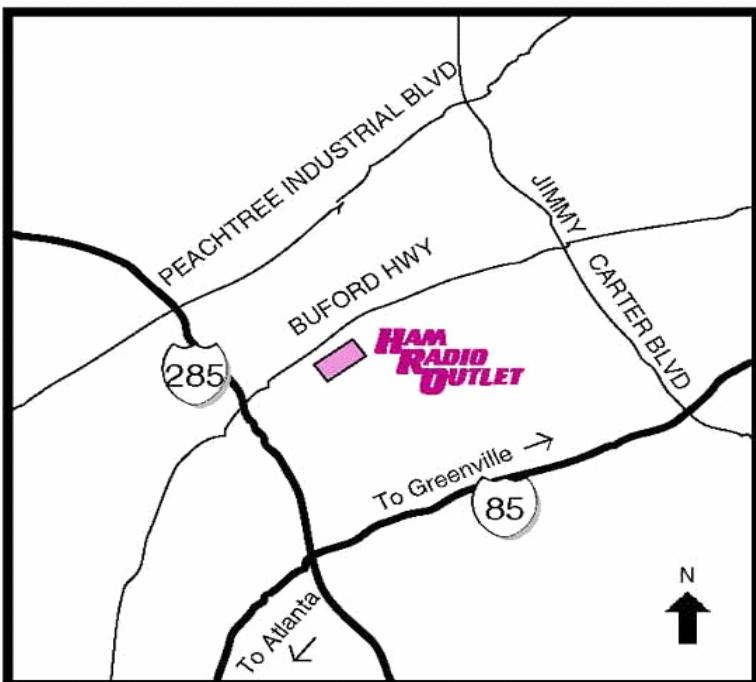
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Next Meeting

January 10

Program will include some hints and ideas on using the computer to operate the radio.

Meetings are on the Second Tuesday of the month 7:30pm at the St Marguerite D'Youville Church, 85 Gloster Rd NW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044. Just off Highway 29 SW of Lawrenceville.

*Directions on the Web Site.
<http://www.gars.org>*

